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Subject: Final communication with MDA staff on the report

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Subject: Maryland Animal Agriculture Program Assessment report (EMBARGOED)

To our colleagues at MDE and MDA:

Thanks to all of your help, EPA has completed the Maryland Animal Agriculture Program Assessment Final Report. Attached is an embargoed copy of the report, which EPA will be sharing this Friday with Secretary of Agriculture Joe Bartenfelder and Secretary of the Environment Ben Grumbles. Please do not share outside of your agencies, but feel free to share it with others in MDE and MDA that I may have forgotten. We are planning to release a non-embargoed copy of the report to both the Chesapeake Bay Foundation and the general public on Monday, August 31st. Sharing the embargoed copy of the report now should provide you with some additional time to get familiar with the report and prepare for any inquiries you may receive.

The final report addresses all of the comments that we received from MDE and MDA on the Draft Report that we shared with you on May 1st and the Interim Final Report that we shared with you on July 8th. In addition to the embargoed final report, I am also attaching two redlined versions of the final report that show all of the changes we have made in the final report to address comments that that we received from Maryland on the Draft Report and the Interim Final Report. As you'll notice, the Final Report has not changed substantively since the Interim Final Report.

Feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns, and thank you again for all of your help with this assessment. I look forward to our continued discussions about Maryland's animal agriculture programs.

Sincerely,

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